

Remarks/Argument

Applicant have received and carefully reviewed the Office Action mailed on October 24, 2011. With this Amendment, claims 52, 64, 69, 71, and 73 have been amended and claim 70 has been canceled without prejudice. Support for the amendments is found in the specification, claims, and drawings as originally filed. No new matter has been added. Favorable consideration of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 43, 44, 46, 49, 52, 67, and 69-73 are allowed and claim 64 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112 and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 64 has been amended to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112.

Objection to the Specification

The specification was objected to for various informalities. Reference number 420 on pages 11 and 12 has been removed as suggested by the Examiner. Element 434 has been amended to delete “optical” and instead recite an “imaging apparatus” to include the light, infrared energy, and ultrasonic energy recited on page 12, line 5. Claim 70 has been deleted, thus the drawings are believed to show the claimed elements.

Drawing Objection

Claim 70 has been canceled, thus the drawings are believed to show all claimed elements.

Claim Objection

Claim 68 was objected to for informalities. Claim 52 has been amended to recite “imaging apparatus” which provides support for the emitter in claim 68 being configured to emit light, infrared energy, or ultrasonic energy.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claim 64 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. Claim 64 has been amended to depend from claim 52 as suggested by the Examiner.

Withdrawn Claims

Independent claim 52 is believed to be allowable. Applicants respectfully request rejoinder of withdrawn claims 59-63.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, all pending claims are believed to be in a condition for allowance. Further examination and withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested. Issuance of a Notice of Allowance in due course is anticipated. If a telephone conference might be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at (612) 677-9050.

Respectfully submitted,

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